



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of)

Mark Hernandez et al.)

Serial No: 10/627,947)

Filed: July 25, 2003)

For: REMOVING METALS FROM SOLUTION)
USING METAL BINDING COMPOUNDS AND)
SORBENTS THEREFOR)

Examiner: not yet assigned

Art Unit: not yet assigned

Attorney Docket: MJ-1

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

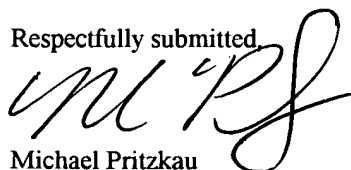
Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.102(c) to make the above-captioned application special.

The basis of this petition resides in a relationship of the subject matter of the present application to material enhancement of the quality of the environment at least in providing for effective remediation of polluted acidic wastewaters and streams. For this reason, it is believed that a fee is not required in support of the petition.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this case, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mike Pritzkau at 303-410-9254.

Respectfully submitted



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